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## Amendments to the Claims:

- 1. (Previously presented) A front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel, comprising:
- 5 depositing a molybdenum-containing metal layer on a glass substrate;
  - forming a patterned photoresist on said molybdenum-containing metal layer, wherein said patterned photoresist defines a gate and word line array pattern; and
- using said patterned photoresist as an etching mask, uniformly etching said molybdenum-containing metal layer to form said gate and word line array pattern having substantially oblique sidewalls, wherein said etching of said molybdenum-containing metal layer uses gas mixture.
- (Original) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel
   according to claim 1 wherein after said etching of said molybdenum-containing metal
   layer, an over etching is carried out.
  - 3. (Previously presented) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel according to claim 1 wherein fluorine/oxygen containing gas mixture is SF<sub>6</sub>/O<sub>2</sub> having a ratio of about 700sccm/300sccm.
  - 4. (Original) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel according to claim 1 wherein said etching of said molybdenum-containing metal layer is executed under a process pressure higher than 25 mTorr.
  - 5. (Original) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel according to claim 1 wherein said etching of said molybdenum-containing metal layer is further controlled by a source power, a bias power, process pressure, oxygen flowrate and flowrate of fluorine containing gas.
  - 6. (Original) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel

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according to claim 1 wherein said molybdenum-containing metal layer is a dual-metal layer.

- 7. (Previously presented) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel according to claim 6 wherein said dual-metal layer is Mo/AlNd, MoW/AlNd, or MoW/Al, wherein Mo and MoW are top layers, while AlNd and Al are bottom layers.
- 8. (Original) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel
  10 according to claim 1 wherein said etching of said molybdenum-containing metal layer is detected by an end-point detection method at an wavelength of about 704nm.
  - (Original) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel according to claim 1 wherein said gas mixture is oxygen/fluorine containing.
  - 10. (Original) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel according to claim 1 wherein said gas mixture is oxygen/chlorine containing.
- 11. (Original) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel
   according to claim 1 wherein said gas mixture is oxygen/chlorine/fluorine containing.
  - 12. (Original) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel according to claim 1 wherein said gas mixture is SiF<sub>0</sub>/O<sub>2</sub> containing.
  - 13. (Currently amended) A front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel, comprising: depositing a molybdenum-containing metal layer on a glass substrate; forming a patterned photoresist and defining a gate and word line array pattern on said molybdenum-containing metal layer; and etching said molybdenum-containing metal layer by using fluorine/oxygen

containing gas mixture containing SF<sub>6</sub>/O<sub>2</sub> with a ratio of about

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700sccm/300sccm, and using said patterned photoresist as an etching mask to form said gate and word line array pattern.

- 14. (Previously presented) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel according to claim 13 wherein said gate and word line array pattern have substantially oblique sidewalls.
- 15. (Original) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel according to claim 13 wherein after said etching of said molybdenum-containing metal layer, an over etching is carried out.
- 16. (Canceled)
- 17. (Original) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel
  according to claim 13 wherein said etching of said molybdenum-containing metal
  layer is executed under a process pressure higher than 25 mTorr.
  - 18. (Original) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel according to claim 13 wherein said etching of said molybdenum-containing metal layer is detected by an end-point detection method at an wavelength of about 704nm.
- 19. (Original) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel according to claim 13 wherein said molybdenum-containing metal layer is a
   dual-metal layer.
  - 20. (Previously presented) The front-end array process for making a liquid crystal display panel according to claim 19 wherein said dual-metal layer is Mo/AlNd, MoW/AlNd, or MoW/Al, wherein Mo and MoW are top layers, while AlNd and Al are bottom layers.